DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name, Mark Farries.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DEMULTIPLEXING HIGH BIT RATE OPTICAL SIGNALS ON A DENSE WAVELENGTH GRID

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We hereby claim the benefit of Title 35, U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is now disclosed in the prior United States provisional patent application

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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of the Federal Regulations, S1.56(a).

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